

DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF NATIVE PLUMS

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This Nursery was established in 1856, and during the forty-three years of its existence the proprietor has been more or less in the experimental business, having paid particular attention to the growing of Crab Apples and Plums from seed. After growing and fruiting over a thousand varieties of Crab Apples, and finding only about twenty-five varieties in that lot that were worth growing, he turned his attention more particularly to the growing of Seedling Plums.

In this line, by selecting seed of the very choicest varieties to be procured, and planting with care, and then selecting the trees that appeared the most promising, he has been eminently successful in procuring many fine varieties. These experiments have been conducted in a rather crude manner, that is by planting trees of choice varieties in close proximity, and when they produce fruit select the choicest specimens and plant the pits and await the results.

The growing the trees near together is for the purpose of better natural fertilization, and appears to be just about as successful as by artificial fertilization. My plan has been to grow such varieties as Wild Goose, Miner, Van Buren, Hawkeye, etc., in clusters, and then by selecting the finest specimens of each, the progeny are mostly crosses, and often produce fruit that is finer and better than that produced by the original trees. Were I an educated botanist, I should perhaps take a different view of this cross-fertilization, but as I am not, I submit my list.

Hawkeye.—From seed of Quaker. First crop of fruit 1882. Fruit large to very large, roundish oblong; light red, blotched and marbled with darker red; good quality; ripe August 25th to September 10th. Tree a strong, healthy grower, rather upright until it becomes depressed with its load of fruit. Very productive. *Americana*. Trees and cions for sale.

Mrs. Cleveland.—Grown from seed of Wild Goose in 1883. Fruit large, light mottled red; oblong and slightly pointed at both ends of fruit. Excellent quality, with a small pit for so large a fruit. Ripe August 15th. Tree a strong grower, of spreading habit, and quite productive. *Chicasa*.

Trees and cions for sale.

Esther.—From seed of Miner. First crop in 1885. Fruit large, round oblong; dark red; good quality. Ripe August 25th. Tree an upright and strong grower, and very productive. *Chicasa*. Trees and cions for sale.

James Vick.—From seed of Wild Goose. First crop in 1885. Tree a spreading, straggling, but vigorous grower, with fruit of large size; round, bright red, good quality and quite productive. Ripe August 25th. *Chicasa*. Cions only.

Crescent City.—From seed of Miner. First crop in 1885. Fruit above medium to large, nearly round; bright red, good quality. Tree an upright and very fine grower, and very productive. *Chicasa*. Cions only.

Jewell.—From seed of Wild Goose. First crop in 1885. Fruit medium size, round, brilliant red on yellow ground; of excellent quality. Tree fairly productive. *Chicasa*. Cions only.

Milton.—Grown from seed of Wild Goose. First crop in 1885. This is believed to be the earliest native plum in cultivation. Fruit large, inclined to oblong, dark red, good quality. Tree a strong, spreading grower, somewhat resembling its parent, and is very productive. *Chicasa*. Trees and cions for sale.

Charles Downing.—Grown from seed of Wild Goose. Produced first crop in 1885. Fruit large, round, red, mottled with darker red; *best* quality. Tree a rapid, vigorous, but spreading grower, and remarkably healthy. I have found this variety to bear better crops of fruit if worked on peach roots, in which case it bears immense crops of incomparable fruit, but if worked on plum stocks it is not remarkably productive. Ripens August 15th to 25th. Trees and cions for sale. *Chicasa*.

Freeman's Favorite.—Grown from seed of Wild Goose in 1885. Tree a vigorous grower and fairly productive of fruit of fine quality and large size. Cions only. *Chicasa*.

Col. Wilder.—From seed of Wild Goose in 1885. Tree of strong, vigorous habit, and quite productive. Fruit large, nearly round, bright red, excellent quality. Cions only. *Chicasa*.

Davis.—Grown from seed of Wild Goose in 1885. Tree a low spreading but quite vigorous grower, fairly productive. Fruit large, bright red, and good quality. Cions only. *Chicasa*.

Champion.—A seedling of Hawkeye. Bore first crop in 1891. Fruit very large, dark red, nearly round, inclining to oblong; good quality. Tree an upright, strong grower, and very productive. Ripens in September, and on account of its late season and great productiveness, it is extremely valuable as a market variety. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Van Deman.—Seedling of Hawkeye in 1891. Fruit very large round, slightly inclining to oblong; dark red; good quality. Tree quite upright until it bears fruit, when the branches become depressed with the great weight, and it has the appearance of a weeping tree. Ripe last of August. Cions only. *Americana*.

Silas Wilson.—Another seedling of Hawkeye, first crop in 1891. Fruit large round-oblong, light red, thin skin, small pit, best quality. Season medium to late. Tree a strong, healthy grower and a heavy bearer. Cions only. *Americana*.

Dr. Dennis.—Seedling of Hawkeye, producing first crop in 1891. Fruit large, slightly oblong, dark purplish red, good quality, and a fine market variety. Tree a fine grower and quite productive. Ripe August 20th to September 1st. Cions only. *Americana*.

The Cook's Choice.—Parentage unknown. First crop 1891. Fruit medium to large, red on yellow ground; quality almost unequaled, and one of the finest varieties for canning in the whole list. Tree a strong, upright grower, and usually a heavy bearer. On account of the healthfulness of the tree and its fine quality, it should be in every family collection. Cions only. *Americana*.

Hammer.—A seedling from Miner, producing first crop in 1891. Tree a very strong, upright grower, a model of perfection, with foliage that indicates a mixture of *Americana* blood, and fruit of very large size and unexceptional quality, in color a mottled red on yellow ground. This is one of the heaviest bearers in the whole list. *Chicasa*. Trees and cions.

Lillie.—Grown from seed of Hawkeye. First crop of fruit in 1893. Tree a strong, vigorous grower, upright in habit, and unusually productive of fruit of large size and best quality, in color a very attractive mottled red on yellow ground. One of the best varieties. Ripe mid-season. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Diana.—Grown from seed of Hawkeye and produced first crop in 1893. Tree a vigorous, rather spreading grower, and a wonderful bearer of the choicest fruit, of large size; in color a dark red on yellowish ground; a very fine variety. Ripe August 20th to 30th. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Sada.—Grown from seed of Van Buren. First crop in 1893. Fruit large, nearly round, light red, good quality. Tree a strong grower, of spreading habit, and a heavy bearer. Ripe August 20th to 30th. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Mary.—Grown from seed of Van Buren in 1893. Tree rather spreading, but good, healthy grower; fruit beautiful light red on light yellow ground; fine quality and productive. Ripe last of August. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Marcellus.—From seed of Van Buren. First crop in 1893. Tree a fine upright grower, and remarkably productive. Fruit very large, inclining to oblong; white, but becoming light red when fully ripe; excellent in quality, and a very desirable variety. Season rather late. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Alice.—From seed of Van Buren. First crop in 1893. Tree a fine upright grower, with large light red fruit of best quality. *Americana*. Cions only.

Isabella.—Parentage unknown. Originated in 1893. Tree rather low and spreading. Fruit medium to large, round as a shot, dark red on yellow ground; fine quality, very productive. Ripe mid-season. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Lottie.—From seed of Van Buren. Produced first crop in 1895. Fruit large to very large, white or pale yellow; quality *best*. Free-tone. Ripe August 20th to 30th. Tree upright and remarkably productive. Trees and cions for sale under restrictions. *Americana*.

Van Houten.—Parentage unknown. First crop in 1895. Fruit very large, round, bright red; a very attractive variety for market. Tree rather dwarfish, but productive. Ripens latter part of August. *Chicasa*. Cions only.

Etta.—Parentage unknown. Produced first crop in 1895. Fruit large, bright yellow, nearly overspread with bright crimson; a beautiful variety of fine quality. Tree a slow grower, but very productive. Ripens mid-season. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Warren.—Grown from seed of Hawkeye. Produced first crop in 1897. Fruit large, light mottled red with white bloom. Excellent quality. Season late in August. *Americana*. Cions only.

Reel.—Grown from seed of Van Buren. First crop in 1896. Fruit large, white or pale yellow, with a beautiful red cheek, and of most excellent quality. Tree vigorous and healthy, and very productive. Ripens last of August. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Pearl. — From seed of Van Buren. Produced first crop in 1896. Tree is a remarkably fine grower, upright in habit and very perfect in shape, with fruit of the very largest size and best quality. The fruit in color is white or pale yellow, but becomes light red as it ripens up fully. The tree is wonderfully productive, and the fruit is fine enough to make it a good market variety. Ripens last of August. *Americana*. Trees and cions for sale under restrictions.

Emma. — Parentage unknown. Originated in 1896. Tree rather low and spreading, but a wonderful bearer of fruit of large size and good quality; bright red, mottled with darker red, and firm and fine for market. Ripe August 15th to 25th. *Americana*. Cions only.

W. J. Bryan. — Parentage unknown. Produced first crop of fruit in 1896. Tree an upright, strong grower, producing fruit large to very large in size; rich dark red, oblong, firm, and a fine market variety. Ripe August 20th to 30th. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Prof. Budd. — Parentage unknown. Produced first crop of fruit in 1897. Tree a remarkably upright grower, of fine form and perfect shape, and producing great crops of largest size and unexcelled in quality; so firm as to render it of great value for marketing. Color of fruit is a brilliant red, with numerous white dots. Ripe September 1st to 10th. *Americana*. Trees and cions under restrictions.

Nellie Blanche. — Parentage unknown. Produced first crop in 1897. So far as tested, this is one of the best varieties in cultivation. Tree a strong, upright grower, and so enormously productive that the tree is scarcely able to sustain its crop of fruit. Fruit large, oblong, dark mottled red, good quality. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Omega. — Parentage unknown. Produced first crop of fruit in 1897. Tree a model of perfection, unsurpassed in beauty and healthfulness, and also in productiveness. Fruit very large, slightly oblong, light red, mottled and splashed with darker red, nearly covered with lightish dots. Very firm, a fine shipper; will keep in good condition several days after ripe. So far as tested, this will rank as one of the most profitable varieties in cultivation for market purposes. Ripe Sept. 25th to October 10th. *Americana*. Trees and cions for sale under restrictions.

Bomberger. — Grown from seed of Harrison's Peach. First crop in 1897. Fruit large to very large, bright yellow, nearly covered with red. Shape nearly round, and of fine quality. Tree an upright, strong grower, and quite productive. Ripe mid-season. *Americana*.

Capt. Watrous. — From seed of Harrison's Peach. First crop in 1897. Tree an upright, vigorous grower, and very productive of fruit of very large size; yellow ground, nearly covered with bright red; in shape nearly round, and of excellent quality. Ripe last of August. *Americana*. Trees and cions.

Cyclone. — Grown from seed of Harrison's Peach. First crop of fruit in 1897. Tree a vigorous, spreading grower, and a fair bearer of fruit of large size, dark red color, and most excellent quality. Ripe August 25th to September 10th. *Americana*.

Golden Queen. — Parentage unknown. Produced first crop in 1897. Tree is remarkable for its unusually fine, upright growth, and when in the growing condition could be easily distinguished from others by its broad, healthy foliage. Fruit very large, roundish oblong, bright golden yellow, and of the most delicious quality; quite unexcelled for canning, and very fine for eating out of hand or for slicing and serving with sugar and cream, as for peaches. Ripens latter part of August to September 10th. *Americana*. Trees and cions for sale under restrictions.